



RECREATION SOCCER – SPRING 2013

“WHAT’S NEXT”



1. **COACHES MEETING** - All coaches and/or assistant coaches are required to attend the coaches meeting on Thursday, March 21, 2013. New Coaches meet **at 6:00 p.m.** and returning Coaches **at 7:00 p.m.** Team rosters, schedules, rules, sportsmanship, background checks, equipment and other important information will be given to coaches at this meeting. The meeting will be held at Sandy Parks & Recreation Gym (440 East 8680 South).
2. **Coaches will contact their players by 6:00 p.m. Sunday, March 24, 2013.** If you have not been contacted by your coach by the above deadline, please contact Sandy City Parks and Recreation at (801) 568-2900 to find out who is coaching your child. Office hours are 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m., Monday -Friday.
3. **Practices will be scheduled by the coaches** and can begin on Saturday, March 23, 2013. Questions regarding your child’s practice time and location should be directed to the coach.

Games will begin Monday, April 1, 2013. The season will consist of 8 games, weather permitting. **Please note:** Games will not be played over Memorial Day weekend.
4. **Uniforms & game schedules** will be given to coaches to hand out before regular season games begin. **Shin guards** are required. Regular tennis shoes or outdoor soccer cleats are allowed. No football or baseball cleats. Standard sizing for uniforms will be ordered. If standard sizes will not work for your child, please contact the Parks & Recreation office as soon as possible to make other arrangements. Standard sizes to be ordered:
PreK-Kindergarten: YXS, YS 1st & 2nd Grade: YS, YM 3rd & 4th Grade: YS, YM, YL 5th – 9th Grade: YL, AS, AM
5. **Field condition:** Grass is cut at a height of 3 inches to help with water restrictions. At this height grass holds its moisture longer and is watered less frequently.
6. **Rain Outs** are decided based on the condition/safety of the fields. Rain alone does not mean games will be postponed. Coaches will be given a ‘rain out’ hotline number to confirm games in case of inclement weather. At least one rainout game will be made up. We also update our rainout hotline online: **www.sandy.utah.gov/parks**
7. **Game Location:** Based on enrollment, additional game locations may be added, and/or changed.
8. **Refunds:** A \$15.00 bookkeeping fee will be charged on all refunds. **No refunds will be given after the first game.**
9. **Volunteer Coaches:** All coaches are parent volunteers. Your children will benefit from your involvement. Please volunteer to coach or assist your child’s coach in his/her efforts. “Many hands make light work.”
10. **Background Checks:** All coaches will be required to complete a background check. This will be done at the coaches meeting. Please note: If you have previously completed a background check in a Sandy City Parks & Recreation program you will be required to complete the background application form again this season.

~ **This program is for kids to have fun, learn soccer skills, develop sportsmanship, and be with friends!** ~

What to Ask Your Child After Practice or Games

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Did you play better this week? | <input type="checkbox"/> What did you learn in practice? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> What do you feel you need to work on? | <input type="checkbox"/> Can I help you improve any skills? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> What did the coach emphasize after the game? | <input type="checkbox"/> Was your opponent a good sport? Were you? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Are you getting in better shape? | <input type="checkbox"/> What was your favorite part of the game? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> What is the best part of playing on the team? | <input type="checkbox"/> What do you like most about your coach? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Were you nervous playing today? If you were, why? | <input type="checkbox"/> How can I help you improve? |

But the most important question is . . . ***Did you have fun playing today?***

Thank you for choosing Sandy Parks & Recreation